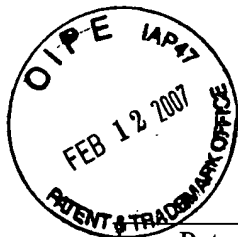


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**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW IN
ACCORDANCE WITH MPEP §713.04**

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Sir:

Applicant submits herewith a statement on the substance of the personal interview held on November 2, 2006.

Examiner Rosalind Rollins and Applicant's representative Scott Wakeman were present at the interview. Claims 2, 4, and 11 were discussed as was the Sato reference. Applicant's representative argued that amended claim 2 patentably distinguished over Sato, and the examiner agreed. Applicant's representative also argued that Sato does not disclose a pinching member or a sliding member as claimed. The examiner agreed to take these arguments into consideration when examining the amended claims filed on October 2, 2006.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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